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Missoula County Justification of Per Diem Increase.

The last per diem negotiation with the Department of Corrections and Missoula County was in 2002. Our rate was frozen for three years and then increased 2% in 2005 and another 2% in 2006. Our budgeted expenditures for 2007 as compared with 2002 have increased 24.27%. See Below.

Missoula County has maintained that the Department of Corrections should include building depreciation and construction bond interest in the per diem calculation. As a result of SB 477, for the first time those costs are included the our calculations of the DOC rate. They have always been included in the Federal rate.

DOC Per Diem Rate History

Date	Rate	% Chang	ge
07/01/00	47.12	1.8%	No indirect costs included.
07/01/01	48.12	2.1%	Requested \$52.87. Received \$1 increase.
07/01/02	45.49	-5.5%	Cut per Governor
10/01/02	43.88	-3.5%	Programs cut
07/01/05	44.76	2.0%	Received in April 06 retro to 7/1/05
07/01/06	45.66	2.0%	Received in December 06 retro to 7/1/06

2002 to 2007 Budget Increases

Personnel costs up 17%

Operations up 36%. Includes a 77% increase in utilities.